SAFE Mortgage Loan Originator Test – State Component Minnesota Content Outline

(45 scored test questions; 10 unscored test questions)

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I. Minnesota Department of Commerce (5%)

- A. Regulatory authority
- B. Department/agency structure
- C. Responsibilities and limitations

II. State Law Definitions (10%)

- A. The Minnesota SAFE Mortgage Licensing Act of 2010
- B. The Minnesota Residential Mortgage Originator and Servicer Licensing Act
- C. Other State Law and Regulation Definitions

III. License Law and Regulation (25%)

- A. Persons required to be licensed
 - 1. Resident or non-resident
 - 2. Exemptions
- B. Licensee qualifications and application process
 - 1. Financial responsibility (surety bond)
 - 2. Background check and fingerprints (criminal check; credit report)
 - 3. Prelicensing education
 - 4. Testing and retesting
- C. Grounds for denying a license
 - 1. Criminal convictions
 - 2. Previous revocation
 - 3. Prohibition
- D. License maintenance
 - 1. Continuing education
 - 2. Personal information updates and required notifications
 - 3. Renewal
 - 4. Record keeping and reporting
 - 5. Suspension and reinstatement

IV. Compliance (50%)

- A. Prohibited conduct and practices
- B. Required conduct
- C. Fees and charges
- D. Disclosures and agreements
- E. Advertising
- F. Trust account requirements

V. Disciplinary Action (10%)

A. Notifications, hearings, and appeals

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- B. Suspension, revocation, and rescission of licenses
- C. Penalties/fines
- D. Civil and criminal liability

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Minnesota State Test Component Reference List A number of references and resources are used to develop the SAFE Mortgage Loan

Originator Test. The following list is intended to be used as a guide to help candidates prepare for the test component; however, it is not intended to be an all-inclusive list.
☐ Chapter 45 – Department of Commerce; General Powers
☐ Chapter 47.20 – 47.208 Lending Authority of Financial Institutions
☐ Chapter 58 – Minnesota Residential Mortgage Originator and Servicer Licensing
Act
☐ Chapter 58A – Minnesota Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing
Act of 2010
☐ Chapter 82 – Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons
☐ Chapter 325N – Mortgage Foreclosures
☐ Chapter 609 – Residential Mortgage Fraud

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